

## Time

Your time is valuable and the Capitol Preservation Board Visitor Services Program appreciates docents' willingness to share 8 to 12 hours per month of service (which includes a four-hour Visitor Services Center shift every other week and quarterly workshops). In addition, docents will receive an initial six-part training. The Capitol Preservation Board Visitor Services Program respectfully requests docents commit to the Docent Program for a minimum of two years.

## To Apply

Please complete an application, available on the internet at

**[www.utahstatecapitol.utah.gov](http://www.utahstatecapitol.utah.gov)**

Or fill out the attached interest form, and mail it to:

**The Capitol Preservation Board Visitor Services Center 420 North State Street, 110 Senate Building Salt Lake City, UT 84114**

Or fax it to: **(801) 538.3221**



## Interest Form

**Yes!** I am interested in becoming a Capitol Visitor Service Docent! Please send me an application form.

My name is:
I may be contacted using one of the following methods:
My e-mail address:
My home mailing address:

## Thank you

**for your interest in the Capitol Visitor Services Docent Program!**



For more information, please visit our website or contact the Capitol Preservation Board Visitor Services Center at

**[www.utahstatecapitol.utah.gov](http://www.utahstatecapitol.utah.gov),**

or call **538-1800**.



## What is a Docent?

The word "docent" derives from the Latin word "docere" meaning "to teach." For more than 100 years, docents have been a vital link between the history and collections of public buildings and their visitors. Docents at the Utah State Capitol are interpreters trained to relate, in an exciting and meaningful way, information highlighting the Capitol, its grounds, its restoration and renovation, artwork and artifacts, exhibitions and events, as well as the people who serve the citizens of the state of Utah. If you are interested in joining a dynamic, motivated docent team providing an indispensable service to thousands of visitors to the Utah State Capitol, we welcome your application.

## What are Docent's qualifications?

- Enthusiastic, outgoing communicators.
- Willing to learn detailed information regarding Utah history, Capitol history, the Capitol restoration and renovation and government processes.
- Comfortable working with diverse audiences including persons from other nations, various ages and a variety of educational backgrounds.
- Life-long learners, willing to examine, assess and adopt new information into a guided visitor experience.
- Organized, flexible problem solvers.
- Able to conduct a 45 minute tour.
- Over the age of 19.
- Technology skills.
- Persons from all backgrounds and those who are multilingual are encouraged to apply.
- Public speaking and presentation skills training from professional communicators.
- Learning legislative processes from current government officials.
- Concentrated learning from art historians in art history, appreciation and collection information.
- Historical perspectives on Utah and the State Capitol taught by historians and architects.

**Docents receive recognition and support for their generous volunteer effort!**